



NEW MEXICO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 10, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cool, wet weather dominated much of the week, with storm systems delivering extraordinary precipitation totals to several locations. Specifically, 5.96 inches were received in Clovis, followed by 1.69 inches in Las Vegas and 1.64 inches in Carlsbad. Small grain hay and silage harvest was slow as a result of the above average rainfall in portions of eastern New Mexico. Cabbage harvest in Dona Ana County was reported at 25 percent complete. Freeze damage in all crops was reported as 6 percent light, 6 percent moderate, and 5 percent severe. Wind damage in all crops was reported as 8 percent light and 3 percent moderate. Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 7 percent very short, 32 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were reported as 7 percent very short, 21 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested	43	38	45	58
Chile				
Emerged	75	60	NA	NA
Corn				
Planted.....	55	47	41	51
Emerged	20	10	17	16
Cotton				
Planted.....	48	42	60	62
Emerged	37	13	NA	NA
Peanuts				
Planted	12	--	7	18
Sorghum				
Planted.....	20	15	10	9
Spring lettuce				
Harvested.....	40	25	NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Headed	65	55	44	59
Cattle receiving supplemental feed	44	75	NA	NA
Sheep receiving supplemental feed	57	72	NA	NA
Cows calved	89	84	NA	NA
Ewes lambd	89	83	NA	NA

(NA) – not available

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PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	8	8	29	38
Poor.....	11	11	42	33
Fair.....	38	38	24	21
Good	33	33	5	8
Excellent	10	10	--	--

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	5.4	6.8	5.5	6.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	13	15	48	50
Short	37	45	19	27
Adequate.....	49	40	33	23
Surplus.....	1	--	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	12	12	44	NA
Short	29	31	19	NA
Adequate.....	59	57	37	NA
Surplus.....	--	--	--	NA

NA – not available

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CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Commodity	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa	1	1	26	39	33
Chile.....	--	--	5	60	35
Onions	--	--	2	20	78
Spring lettuce	--	--	--	65	35
Winter wheat	1	8	48	33	10
Cattle and calves	1	3	34	59	3
Sheep and lambs.....	18	18	14	49	1

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New Mexico's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/New_Mexico/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/NM_Weather_05102015.pdf